

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re DIVISIONAL Application of)
Hongyong ZHANG et al)
Based On Serial No. 08/685,789) Art Unit: 2813
Which was filed: July 24, 1996) Examiner: E. Pert
For: METHOD FOR FORMING)
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE) Date: October 25, 2000

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first sentence of the specification, insert -*This application is a Divisional of Application Serial No. 08/685,789, filed July 24, 1996; which it self is a Continuation of Serial No. 08/420,472 filed April 12, 1995 now abandoned.--*

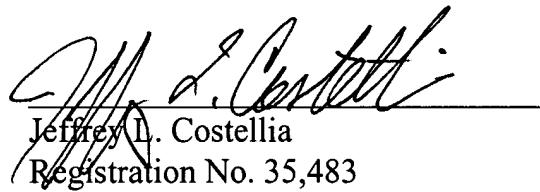
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REMARKS

This application has been amended to include the continuing application data thereof.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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